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WHO WILL HE BE?

Champ Clark's prediction that Col. Roosevelt will be nominated by the Republican National Convention next year did not sound much a few weeks ago, but as time goes on it begins to look more and more credible. The Republicans have no one in their own ranks. Everybody is saying it, and it is so. Mr. Weeks, who is leading for the nomination, is beaten before he starts. Mr. Root's following doesn't amount to a Corporal's guard. Mr. Cummings is only a standing candidate, such as Dave Ball used to be here in Missouri. Making a popular idol of some one like Mr. Burton or Mr. Sherman, is like trying to make a silk purse out of a sow's ear. Mr. Hadley quit. He can never come back. There remains

only the redoubtable Colonel, just as Mr. Clark says. The Colonel has what none of the others have, and that is an issue. When President Wilson said a few days ago the Republicans were talking through their hats on the tariff, he said something. There is nothing for the Republicans in the tariff issue next year. There is, though, something in the Colonel's attitude toward the Administration policies with respect to the European and Mexican wars, and there is something in what he is saying about a big army and navy. That is—understand us, please—there is something in what he says, that appeals to a great many people, and this feature constitutes the only issue on which Mr. Wilson is threatened. Figure it out for

yourself. It is an interesting situation—how interesting, is proven by what the aggrieved German-Americans would do if Roosevelt were nominated. They would probably vote for Wilson. Placed between the devil and the deep sea in that fashion, one almost always takes to the deep sea. Much as Mr. Wilson is despised by some of our German-Americans, Mr. Roosevelt has displeased them more. If he is nominated by the Republicans there will be more all-German torchlight processions for Wilson than any other unexpected demonstrations of the campaign. The Colonel, moreover, has a following. It is true that some part of it is only following him with a baseball bat hoping to get in striking distance of him, but he has a following, such as it is. That is more than can be said for anyone else the Republicans can trot out.

OUR ADVICE.

These are most trying times for the administration at Washington. We, as loyal citizens of America, should feel it our duty to offer every encouragement instead of criticising and condemning, like so many thoughtless politicians do. Stand by the administration. Be an optimist; look at the bright side of things; every cloud has a silver lining. The President and his Cabinet carefully study the people's interest in their relation to Europe and intelligently seek to safely adjust these complications without involving our country. Would you, realizing and fully appreciating the great responsibility resting upon President Wilson, Secretary Lansing and the Cabinet, exchange places with them and by a mistake plunge this country into a relentless war that would benefit no one and cause untold misery, waste and suffering upon remaining ones for years to come? If your nature is bred to "heroism(?)" then perhaps it would make no difference. But if your Christian spirit obtains the better of you, no false or heedless step would be taken, even by you, if you are one of the yelping, raving Tories.

Think over these kindly days of "peace on earth, good-will toward men," and let it sink deep into your soul. Upon what rock do you stand? Are you a pessimist or an optimist? If America is not to your exact liking, suppose you try Europe, Asia or Africa, a little while—perhaps you would like it better here when you get back, should you be so fortunate as to get back.

Several weeks ago we announced we would issue a Christmas-Booster edition on this date and here it is, according to our promise. Pecuniary interest on our part has not been our sole consideration, but our main purpose has been to benefit Hayti, and surrounding country. It is our desire to see Hayti grow, and we hope to show the earnestness of our interest by the quality of our work. As the town builds, so will our paper grow better. Our people do not seem to realize this proposition as they most certainly should, and we hope our Commercial club will join in bringing about an awakening to a realization of this all-important fact. United we can accomplish much, but separately we fail. Read this over again, please.

We hope that good cheer and plenty will abound in every home visited by the Herald this Christmas; that peace on earth, good will toward men will fill the hearts of our older friends and that Kriss Kringle will fill the hearts of the youngsters with joy by filling their stockings to overflowing. Truly do we wish our friends, everywhere, a merry Christmas.

BUFFALO HERD IS GROWING

Animals on Government Preserve in Oklahoma Continue to Show Gratifying Increase.

The government's herd of buffalo on the Wichita national forest in Oklahoma, which is also a federal game preserve, has been increased by the arrival of ten calves, according to a report received by the forest service from the supervisor in charge. The herd, which now comprises 62 specimens of the almost extinct bison, is in good condition, says the supervisor, and promises to continue increasing at a rapid rate. Eight of the calves are females, bringing the number of heifers and cows up to 30. The bulls number 32 and have been placed by themselves in a pasture which has just been fenced in for them. Three years ago the buffalo herd in the Wichita forest was little more than half as large as it is now. It is said that the other game animals in the preserve, including the elk and antelope, also are increasing, due to the protection afforded, not only against hunters but against wolves, wildcats and other predatory animals, which committed serious depredations from the establishment of the preserve in 1905 until measures were taken to stop them. In protecting the game from predatory animals, the wardens and forest officers are also promoting the interests of local stockmen, who graze several thousand head of cattle on certain allotted areas within the preserve.

MAKES A PLEA FOR FICTION

Writer Puts Up Argument for Retention of Popular Literature in the Country's Libraries.

The dropping of fiction from the public libraries, as proposed by the head of the bureau of statistics and investigation as a means of economy, would accomplish at a stroke a consummation long devoutly wished by many. That is, it would materially reduce the percentage of novels read as compared with that of other books. Perhaps Mr. McIntyre has heard that fiction was decreasing in popularity, and thinks that he is merely aligning himself with a growing tendency. We fear, however, that when he hears from the people he will have to revise his ideas. His proposal will be met with a counter-proposal. Banish fiction? Why not banish all other literature instead? Would the saving not be as great? Nay, would it not be greater? As for novels being a "form of entertainment," a luxury, as our statistician holds, they are in reality almost as much of a necessity as the newspapers. Millions go through life comfortably without rubbing elbows with even so human a nonfictionist as John Stuart Mill, but whoever lived until he had breathed the wind that blows through the pages of "Ivanhoe" and "Vanity Fair?" —New York Evening Post.

Detects Approach of Storms.

A revival of the long-abandoned filings coherer used so extensively in the pioneer days of radio communication is presented in the novel form of an electric storm detector used at the Waterside station of the New York Edison company. Briefly, the equipment comprises a filings coherer, a sensitive relay, a decoherer for restoring the filings to their normal, loose state, and an alarm bell. Long before a thunderstorm is within hearing distance the sensitive coherer operates the alarm bell and gives warning to the power station attendants of the increase in load that is to follow. It is said that during some storms when it becomes quite dark the load is increased over 60,000 kilowatts in the course of five minutes' time. It is obviously necessary for the attendants to have ample warning so as to be prepared to take care of the sudden load that is thrown on the generators. —Scientific American.

Describes Habits of Penguins.

The penguins of South Georgia are described in a very interesting and informative memoir by R. C. Murphy, issued by the museum of the Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences. The writer's field work in this subantarctic island extended from November, 1912, to March, 1913, thus including the greater part of the breeding season. During this time he acquired a rich store of information concerning the life histories of the local species—especially the king and johnny penguins—and would have gathered more but for the stupid vandalism of the crew of the sealing brig on which he made the voyage. A curious discovery of the author was a penguin graveyard, a pool of snow water on a mountain top, to which these strange birds retire to die.

Why Wars Are Fought.

The first wars were fought for food.
The second wars were fought for revenge.
The third wars were fought for women.
The fourth wars were fought for religion.
The fifth wars were fought for conquest.
The sixth wars were fought for aggrandizement.
The seventh wars were fought for liberty.
The eighth wars were fought for all or most of these things save the last. —Exchange.

Queer Luck.

"Wouldn't you like to visit the great desert?"

Letter to Santa Claus.

Hayti, Mo. Dec. 11, 1915

Dear Santa Claus:

I am a boy ten years old and will be ready for the fourth grade Christmas. I want you to bring me plenty of fire crackers and Roman candles and a lot of oranges, apples, and other things to eat, a tie and carrol, and please don't forget my little brother and sister as she wants lots of things too. Your little friend.

Buster Campbell.

D. E. Green reports there have been 10,769 bales of cotton ginned in Pemiscot county up to December 1, 1915, as compared to 18,836 for the same date last year.

Our prices on rich cut glass are surprisingly low, as you can prove for yourself by inspecting our stock. Turnbaugh's Jewelry Store, Caruthersville, Mo.

First Baptist Church.

Sunday school and preaching every Sunday. Sunday school at 10 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject, "The Victorious Life." Evening subject, "The Supreme Question." Personal Workers Band, Sunday afternoon at 2:30. Prayer meeting, Wednesday at 7 p. m. A cordial invitation is extended to you to attend these services.

J. B. RAGSDALE, Pastor.

If you cannot visit our store personally, to buy your Christmas goods, send for our catalogue and let us have your order by mail. Turnbaugh's Jewelry Store, Caruthersville.

Miss Letitia McFarland had quite an attack of tonsillitis several days this week.

Trade With Us

Our groceries are fresh and clean and of good quality. Our prices are very low; a trial purchase will convince you. Get your Christmas goods from us, and you will get perfect quality.

GROCERIES, MEATS, STOVES, CANDIES, FRUITS

We give honest weights and measures. Good treatment and prompt service.

STAR GROCERY

D. M. RAY, Prop.

Hayti, Missouri

HAVE YOU ELECTRICITY IN YOUR HOME

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Why not have the convenience of electric lights and give your boys the advantage?

The service is a most excellent one. Most every one use our lights, do you?

Why not have your house wired and be ready for the hot, summer months? Call or phone, and let us talk it over with you.

Hayti Light & Power Company

Hayti, Missouri